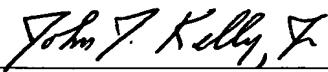


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AMENDMENT

SIR:

The present amendment is being filed in a Request For Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified patent application.

Entry of the present amendment and reconsideration of the above-identified patent application, as amended, is respectfully requested. This amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed May 11, 2006 (Final Rejection).